

Garage Demolition Program

The goal of the Garage Demolition Program is to improve the overall aesthetics of the City. There are a number of detached garages located throughout Troy that are dilapidated, meet the definition of “condemnable” and also are safety concerns due to the condition of the structure. However, the property owner may not have the financial resources to remove the structure.

Similar to the Paint Voucher Program, established by Council earlier this year, the Garage Demolition Program includes an application process. Approved applicants would have the garage



demolition cost paid by City funds. The income guidelines for this program follow those established in the Paint Voucher Program. Other qualifications include: the program is for demolition, not renovation; the garage must be on a property

that is single-family, owner-occupied; the applicant will need to provide a minimum of three quotes for the work; there are “not to exceed” amounts; the cost of removal of foundations/slabs is not included; prior to payment the work will be inspected by the City; payment will be issued jointly to the applicant and contractor.

A \$50,000 appropriation has been authorized for this program. Please contact the Planning & Development Department at (937) 339-9481 with any questions you may have about the program or to obtain an application.

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Parking Regulations

All “2-hour” parking downtown, including the parallel and angled parking spaces, is permitted for two hours per day, per space, and is enforced Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., except for legal holidays. Each hour of illegal parking in a “2-hour” parking space will be considered a separate offense.

All metered lots are enforced Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., except for legal holidays. There shall be no parking in a metered lot between 3 a.m. and 6 a.m. in order for the City’s crews to clean, repair, and monitor the lots.

A police officer may use vehicle immobilization equipment, also known as the boot, to detain any vehicle which is illegally parked and for which there are three or more outstanding, unpaid, or overdue parking tickets for a period of 60 days. All tickets, late fees, and an immobilization fee of \$50.00 must be paid before the boot will be removed. If all of these fees are not paid within 72 hours of the vehicle being booted, the vehicle will be impounded.

Community Meetings by Police Department and City Officials

The Troy Police Department will be holding public meetings in each of the four voting wards. The purpose of these meetings is to exchange information with the public and businesses in each of those areas. This will be an open exchange that the Department hopes will provide information they can use to set priorities for their service in each neighborhood. The community will receive information about crime issues, actions they can take, and how they can assist in solving these problems. Citizens attending will be able to submit information anonymously on any issue if they choose to do so.

The City is also using these meetings to receive information from businesses and the public to improve and focus other city services or address concerns. Key persons to providing these services, such as the Service and Safety Director, members of City Council, and city staff will be invited to the meetings. This will be an opportunity to help relay specific concerns to

elected officials and the city government in a less formal atmosphere than City Council or Council committee meetings.

Although the City does have a complaint line and councilpersons do answer e-mails and phone calls from citizens, not everyone is comfortable using those methods to express their concerns. Meetings in this format are a first for the City and represent an effort at gaining greater citizen participation in government and satisfaction with the City of Troy as a place to live, work, and play.

All meetings will be held at 7 p.m. The first meeting is December 9, 2004 at Hook Elementary. The next meetings are scheduled for December 16, 2004 at Cookson Elementary, January 6, 2005 at Concord Elementary, and January 13, 2005 at Van Cleve Elementary.

Any person having questions or wanting other information on these meetings should call Chief Phelps at the Troy Police Department.

CITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2004

6	City Council Meeting*	7 p.m.
7	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.
8	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
16	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
20	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
23 & 24	City Offices Closed for Christmas Holiday (Refuse Collection on Schedule)	
31	City Offices Closed for New Year's Day (Refuse Collection on Schedule)	

JANUARY 2005

3	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
4	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.
12	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
17	City Offices Closed for Dr. Martin Luther King Holiday (Refuse Collection on Schedule All Week)	
18	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
20	Joint Meeting, Recreation Board & Park Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
26	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY 2005

1	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.
7	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
9	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
17	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
21	City Offices Closed for Presidents Day Holiday (Refuse Collection on Schedule All Week)	
22	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
23	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.

MARCH 2005

1	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.
7	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
9	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
17	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
21	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
23	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.

*All meetings are held at Troy City Hall, 100 South Market Street, unless otherwise designated.

2005 CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Troy City Council meets on the first and third Mondays of every month, unless a Monday holiday requires rescheduling the meeting to Tuesday. All meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 100 South Market Street. The agenda for each meeting is posted on the City's website, www.troyohio.gov, as well as at City Hall. The public is encouraged to attend these meetings with their input. The following schedule is provided as a handy reminder of the City Council meetings for the 2005 year.

Mon., January 3	Mon., May 2	Tues., September 6
Tues., January 18	Mon., May 16	Mon., September 19
Mon., February 7	Mon., June 6	Mon., October 3
Tues., February 22	Mon., June 20	Mon., October 17
Mon., March 7	Tues., July 5	Mon., November 7
Mon., March 21	Mon., July 18	Mon., November 21
Mon., April 4	Mon., August 1	Mon., December 5
Mon., April 18	Mon., August 15	Mon., December 19

Your Tax Dollars at Work

❖ **NORTH ELM STREET** - The reconstruction of North Elm Street from West Main to the Morgan Ditch will commence early next year. This project is funded in part with a \$600,000 grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission. In addition to the laying of new pavement, the reconstruction will improve the turning radii at the North Elm/Water Street intersection. Asphalt will be available for the project in late February or early March.

❖ **NEW AQUATIC CENTER** - Demolition of the old swimming pool is complete, and construction of the new Aquatic Center is well under way and on schedule. Thanks to City Council, a children's pool was approved and will be added to the contract. The entire facility is planned to open for Memorial Day weekend 2005. Season passes will go on sale in 2005.

❖ **NEW CEMETERY MAINTENANCE BUILDING** - Construction of the new building will be complete in early December.

❖ **TREASURE ISLAND MARINA** - Exterior improvements are currently being made to the marina building that currently houses Arang Restaurant. Windows are being replaced and the grout between the exterior bricks is being repaired. This is one of the first phases of improvements planned for the building.

Troy Rec Before and After School Program



The Troy Rec Before and After School Program is entering its 11th year of operation in beautiful downtown Troy. This program offers care for children in Troy City Schools during those critical hours before and after school. Bus transportation is provided to and from Kyle, Heywood, Hook and Van Cleve Elementary Schools.

Children are offered a wide range of developmentally appropriate activities to choose from each day, as well as regularly scheduled special events. Homework help is provided as needed for those students who need assistance.

This high-quality program is made affordable through the generous support of the Troy United Way and the City of Troy. Scholarships (provided by the Duke Foundation) are available for those families needing additional assistance.

Parents may stop by the Troy Rec at 11 N. Market St. anytime between 7:15 to 8:45 a.m. and 3:30 to 6 p.m. to check out the program or get more information. Parents may also call (937) 440-9805 to have questions answered.

TROY CITY PROGRAMMING - CHANNEL 9

Watch for the Mayor's Report and the City Council Update programs on Troy-Public Broadcasting, Channel 9.

Mayor's Report _____ Monday & Friday - 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday - 11:30 a.m.
Sunday - 7:30 p.m.

City Council Update _____ Monday & Friday - 7 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday - 12 noon
Sunday - 8 p.m.

Vacation and Your Water Bill

Are you planning to go on vacation or to a warmer climate for part of the winter? If so, turning off your water service before you leave can save you from unexpected expenses when you return. A variety of water problems that cause high bills and/or property damage could occur in your absence. Potential problems could be water line, water heater or hose line leaks and breaks; outside faucets that were turned on and inadvertently left running; or malfunctioning toilets. The simplest way to avoid these situations is to turn off your water supply at the main shut-off valve. While you will be billed for minimum water service, you will not accumulate charges for water lost during your absence.

Do you know where your shut-off valve is located? It should be close to wherever the water

line comes into your house. If you have a water meter located in the basement, the main shut-off valve should be just before your meter. If your meter is outside, check your utility room or near the water heater. Even if you're not planning to be away, it is wise to know the location of your water shut-off valve in case of an emergency.

If you're going to be out of town for an extended period of time, one month or more, you can contact the City of Troy Billing & Collection Office to request a "seasonal disconnect." Staff will read your water meter, disconnect the service, and prepare a "final" bill based on the date you want the water disconnected (Monday through Friday only). You can notify the office of the date you want your water service reconnected (again, Monday through Friday), and the water will be on

when you return. The seasonal disconnect fee is \$3.00. If you choose to leave your water service on, and have no usage, you will be billed a minimum of \$14.55 per month for water, sewer and recycling.

A special note for customers who normally do considerable watering of lawns during the summer months: you may not want to use the seasonal disconnect service as the summer sewer-averaging program is based on eight months continuous service from September to May.

If you are not sure if the seasonal disconnect program would be your best option, contact the City of Troy Billing & Collection Office at (937) 335-4151 for an evaluation of your usage history and advice on which program is most cost-effective for you.

TROY RECREATION DEPARTMENT NEWS

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL will be held at Lincoln Community Center from January 3 to March 21, 2005, on Monday nights from 7-8:30 p.m. There is a \$13.00 fee per person. This is individual registration for all adult women, ages 18 and up and out of high school. Teams will be formed from those registered.

SWIMMING - Youth Lessons will be held at Lincoln Community Center for youth ages 6 and older. Classes are limited to 10 persons, and the fee is \$10.00 per person.

Level 1 & 2 - Wednesday, 4:15 p.m.

January 12 - February 16 **Session II** — March 23 - April 27 **Session III**

Level 3 - Wednesday, 5 p.m.

January 12 - February 16 **Session II** — March 23 - April 27 **Session III**

Level 4, 5, & 6 - Wednesday, 6 p.m.

January 12 - February 16 **Session II** — March 23 - April 27 **Session III**

MOMS & TOTS SWIMMING will be held at the Lincoln Community Center for moms and tots 6 months to 5 years of age on Wednesdays from 6:30-7 p.m. Class is limited to 10 mom/tot couples. There is a \$10.00 registration fee.

January 12 - February 16 **Session II** and March 23 - April 27 **Session III**

WINTER SWIM TEAM will be held at the Lincoln Community Center on Tuesday and Thursday from 4:15 to 5:15 p.m. from March 1 to May 12. The team will be the nucleus of the Troy Municipal Swim Team next summer. The team is open to all youths ages 6 and older. Registration with the instructor will occur the first day of attendance. There is no registration fee.

WATER FITNESS TO-MUSIC will be held at the Lincoln Community Center for adult women. There is a registration fee of \$25.00.

Afternoon Sessions

Monday and Thursday, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

January 10 - March 3 **Session II** — March 14 - April 28 **Session III**

Evening Sessions

Monday and Wednesday, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

January 10 - March 2 **Session II**

HAPPENINGS AT HOBART ARENA



DAYTON BOMBERS VS. TRENTON TITANS

The game will be on December 16, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. General seating tickets are \$10.00 and are available at Hobart Arena or by phone at (937) 339-2911.

CONAGRA FOODS SUPER SATURDAY SHOOTOUT

Come see the brand new basketball floor and cheer on the Troy High School Trojan basketball teams as they play the Tipp City Red Devils on January 15, 2005. Tickets will go on sale December 1, 2004, and are available at the Troy High School Athletic Office. Adult tickets are \$6.00 per session and student tickets are \$4.00 per session. An all-day pass can be purchased for \$10.00. Freshman girls play at 10 a.m., junior varsity girls at 11:30 a.m., and the varsity girls at 1 p.m. The freshman boys play at 5 p.m., junior varsity boys at 6:30 p.m., and varsity boys at 8 p.m. For further information, please call the Troy High School Athletic Department at (937) 332-6068.



CITY CLIPS



HOLIDAY TRASH PICKUP

All trash pickup dates will remain the same throughout the holidays.

CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL

City crews will pick up and dispose of your Christmas tree free of charge. All you need to do is put the tree out where your trash is collected. Crews will begin the pickup on December 27 and will continue until the middle of January. Plastic bags used to limit the amount of needle shedding when removing the tree from your house must be removed before pickup. For more information, contact Operations Superintendent Scott Walter at (937) 335-1914.

Winter Snow Season Updates and Tips

Renovation of the old salt barn on Experiment Farm Road and construction of the new salt barn on Dye Mill Road are complete. Both barns are filled with salt, and crews are ready for the winter season. The new salt barn will assist crews in their snow and ice control duties during the winter by eliminating the need to go to the west end of the City to reload snow plows with salt.

Tips for Snow Removal

- ❄ Once you have shoveled your snow, make sure you push it into the street to the right side (looking out the driveway to the street) of your driveway. This way, the snow plows will not plow the snow back into your driveway.
- ❄ It is helpful to push the snow away from any catch basins so that water can flow easily into the catch basin and not cause flooding or unsafe, icy conditions.
- ❄ Clear the snow away from any fire hydrants so that in case of a fire, the Fire Department can easily and quickly locate the fire hydrant closest to their needs.
- ❄ If there is a large snow storm, please try and get all vehicles off the streets if possible so that crews can get the snow plowed.

Have you ever thought about being a Lifeguard?

Lifeguard training classes will be offered in March for an \$80.00 fee. Successful completion of the course will make you eligible for hire at the new Troy Aquatic Center, as well as a partial reimbursement of the lifeguard class fee after working a complete pool season for the City of Troy. For more information please call Carrie Slater at (937) 339-5145.

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Information on how to contact City elected and appointed officials is available on the City of Troy website: www.troyohio.gov



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Attention Web Surfers

Have you visited the official website of the City of Troy?
If not, surf over to www.troyohio.gov and check us out. The site is full of useful information about the City as an organization, as well as the community. The website changes regularly, so visit often to keep abreast of meeting dates, job openings and other useful information.

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